COCHIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Tuesday, the *23rd of January 1934.* / *10th of Makaram 1109.*

The House met at half-past eleven of the clock with the President in the Chair. Messrs. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon, A. I. Mani, Popatlal Goverdhan Lalan, A. R. Menon and A. Sankara Menon were absent.

Questions and Answers.

Efficiency test audit of the Office of the Registrar of Co-operative Societies.

31. Mr. A. Eachara Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state—

(a) whether there had been an efficiency test audit recently of the Office of the Registrar of Co-operative Societies;

(b) whether any irregularity was found out in the accounts;

(c) if so, what was the action taken by the Government;

(d) whether they will be pleased to place the auditor's report with the remarks thereon by the Comptroller of Accounts on the table?

Rama Varma Tampuran.—(a) Yes, in Thulam 1108.

(b) Yes.

(c) The Registrar has been instructed to follow the instructions in the audit notes.

(d) There is only the report of the Comptroller of Accounts. It is placed on the table. (*Appendix I*)

Selection of Candidates for training in Traffic Control.

32. Mr. Joseph Pettah.—Will the Government be pleased to state—

(a) whether they intend sending any persons to Madras for training in Traffic Control;

(b) if so, will the Government be pleased to furnish a caste-war list of the persons selected to be sent for such training?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—(a) Yes.

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(b) Four Nairs,
One Valan,
One Pillai,
One Christian and
One Muslim.

Petition for opening of new roads, etc., in Kunnamkulam—action on.

33. Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Will the Government be pleased to inform—

(a) whether the Diwan has received a petition, dated 15th Chingam 1109, submitted through the Director of Public Health by Mr. M. Chakko Ipe B. A., retired Headmaster and others in Kunnamkulam, Arthat, Chittanjur and other places requesting—

i. to open a road from the southern extremity of Southern Bazaar in Kunnamkulam to the newly opened road from Arthat to Chittanjur; and

ii. to remove nightsoil trenching ground from within the town limits;

(b) what action has been taken with reference to the aforesaid petition;

(c) whether a copy of the report submitted by the Director of Public Health when torwarding the petition to the Diwan will be printed and placed on the table?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(a) i and ii. Yes.

(b) The petitioners were informed that their request cannot be complied with.

(c) A copy of the report is appended. (*Appendix II*)

Rural Reconstruction Committee—work of.

34. Mr. K. T. Mathew.—With reference to question No. 52 dated 1st August 1933 (Rural Reconstruction Committee) will the Government be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Committee is continuing its work; and if so,

(b) how many meetings of the Committee were held in 1933;

(c) when was the last meeting of the Committee held;

(d) who is the Chairman of the Committee?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(a) No.

(b) Only one meeting was held in 1933.

(c) 6th February 1933

(d) Mr. I. Raman Menon, the retired Superintendent of Agriculture, was the President of the Committee.

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